



VOLLEYBALL

GUIDELINES AND GROUND RULES

1. COMPETITION VENUE / HALL

Sports complex preferably a covered court.

2. PARTICIPATING TEAMS

The volleyball championships shall be participated by elementary boys and girls, high school boys and girls. One team per division.

3. ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

The DepED Eligibility Rules shall be strictly observed. All eligibility documents must be thoroughly screened. The tournament manager must be provided a copy of the list of qualified athletes certified "eligible to play" by the Screening Committee.

4. ENTRIES AND TEAM INFORMATION

- 4.1 Each regional association is entitled to send entries in two divisions/categories - Elementary boys and girls; High School boys and girls. All entries must be made available thirty (30) days before the start of the Palaro for scheduling purposes.
- 4.2 All participating teams must be present or represented during the General Technical meeting of Coaches and Referees, otherwise, the team waives its right to file protest or complaint on the recent application/interpretation as agreed upon during the meeting. In this meeting, coaches or their representative must confirm their team's participation.

- 4.3 Team Gallery must be submitted to the Tournament Manager for athlete's identification a day before the start of the tournament.
- 4.4 Each team must submit its simplified 0-2 bis form with twelve players including the Libero and three (3) Team officials to the Tournament Manager.

5. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 5.1 The Volleyball Championship adopts the Double Elimination System of tournament.
- 5.2 The Round Robin System may be adopted should the coaches agree on it during the Coaches and Referees General Technical Meeting.
- 5.3 The three (3) out of five (5) sets a match will start during the semi-final up to the championship round.]

6. HOW TO WIN A SET

- 6.1 Games in all levels shall be played on a two (2) out of three (3) sets following the 1-25 Rally Point System. A team which scores 25 points with a minimum lead of two points wins a set. On case of a 24-24 tie, the play is continued until a 2-point lead is achieved (26-24; 27-25; etc.) Should there be final or deciding set the change court (2 out of 3 sets) shall be at score 13 and the team which scores 25 points with a minimum lead of two points wins a set. For the high school games, the preliminary rounds will be played on a 2 out of 3 sets. In the semi-final and final round, games will be played in a 3 out of 5 sets. Teams change courts at score 8 and the team which scores 15 points or with a minimum lead of two points wins a set.

Should there be a replay with 30 minutes (HS division), game should be played on a tow (2) out of three (3) sets following the 1-25 rally point system. Teams change courts at score 13 and the team that scores 25 points with a minimum of 2 points win a set.

7. SPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT OF TEAMS

All participants (coaches, Asst. Coaches, Trainers, Medical Doctors, Trainers. Officiating officials and players must:

- 7.1 Know the "Official Volleyball Rules" and abide by them.
- 7.2 Accept referees decision with sportsmanlike conduct, without disputing them.
- 7.3 Refrain from actions or attitudes aimed at influencing the decisions of the referees or covering up the faults committed by their team.

- 7.4 Obligated themselves to shake hands with the referee after the match as a gesture of friendship and sportsmanship.

8. MEDICAL CARE

- 8.1 It is recommended that each team shall provide their own medical team during their scheduled game.

9. OFFICIAL VOLLEYBALL RULES, BALLS AND UNIFORM

- 9.1 The competition shall be played in accordance with the FIVB Rules 2005 edition. All necessary interpretations will be made before the competition, i.e. during the General Technical Meeting of Coaches and Referees.
- 9.2 The Organizer shall decide the brand of the Ball to be used as the "Official Ball."
- 9.3 The playing uniform must be in conformity with the FIVB General Regulations. The player's number (1-18) registered on the 0-2 bis form must be the same number on the uniform.
- 9.4 The officials on the bench must wear polo shirt or T-shirt with collar; leather or rubber shoes with socks. Team officials who are in short pants and/or in slippers will not be allowed to sit on the player's bench.
- 9.5 A team without any registered team official/s before the start of their scheduled game will lose their game by default.
- 9.6 The referee has the power to decide any matter involving the game including those not provided for in the rules.
- 9.7 All forms of misconduct during competition shall be subject to sanction in accordance with the sanction scale (Rule 22.3).
- 9.8 A team that declares its game in default, voluntary forfeiture and/or walks out before or during the match entails its exclusion from the championship round. This rule applies starting from the preliminary up to the championship round. All matches previously played will be declared forfeited: 0-3 (0-25, 0-25, 0-25).
- 9.9 During team's warm-up, only the members of the team are allowed to take warm-up inside the court. At the start of the game, only the head coach shall be allowed to sit on the bench. Other team officials shall leave the bench.

10. THREE BALL SYSTEM

The three-ball system of tournament shall be adopted.

11. PROTEST

- 11.1 No protest will be entertained unless a formal written protest is submitted within thirty (3) minutes after the game in question duly signed by the Team Captain, Coach, and Head of Delegation. The burden of proof lies upon the protestee. The team losing the protest shall be penalized by game forfeiture.
- 11.2 Protest on athlete's Eligibility shall be addressed to the Chairman, Screening and Eligibility Committee.
- 11.3 Protest on Technicality shall be addressed to the Tournament Manager. Immediately, the protest shall be resolved should all conditions on protest shall be met. This is to avoid nuisance protest.

12. DEFAULTED GAME

- 12.1 Teams that do not appear out their scheduled time of their game shall be given a fifteen (15) minutes grace period only. After which, the game shall be declared a defaulted game in favor of the opposing team.

13. FORFEITED GAME

- 13.1 Once a team becomes incomplete, the game shall be declared forfeited in favor of the opposing team. Furthermore, a Team that walks out of the game shall be penalized by game forfeiture.
- 13.2 A coach that initiates the "walk out" shall be banned from participation in all DepED organized tournaments.

14. JURY SYSTEM

- 14.1 A jury system is employed in the International Volleyball Federation (IVBF) in all international volleyball events. The system can also be adapted/applied in the Palarong Pambansa considering that the tournament lasts only for 5-6 days. Any technical protest that may arise thereat can be resolved immediately; hence, there will be no delay of games.

15. DRESS CODE FOR COACHES

- 15.1 Coaches must also observe their team uniform and the dress code i.e., T-shirt with collar and in rubber shoes. Team officials wearing T-shirt without collar and wearing slippers will not be allowed to sit on the team's bench. If the coach is wearing a jacket, all team officials on the bench must also wear jackets; if the head coach takes off his jacket, all team officials will also take off their jackets.

16. PROTOCOL

- 16.1 The Asian volleyball Confederation (AVC) protocol shall be adopted during the preliminary games and the World Grand Prix Protocol during the championship match.
- 16.2 All team officials and players must be within the vicinity of the volleyball court forty five (45) minutes prior to the scheduled game. Fifteen (15) minutes prior to the match, the 1st and 2nd Referee shall conduct the toss coin and other game proceedings. Games shall start as scheduled.
- 16.3 At the end of the match, the team captain thanks the referees and signs the score sheet to ratify the outcome. (Rule 5.1.3.1)

17. UNFORSEEN ITEMS

- 17.1 As regard to specific items not stated or expressly foreseen in this regulation, the Tournament Manager will decide in consultation with the Guidelines, Rules and Regulations and the FIVB Rules.